



# GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

### 2016 REGULAR SESSION

---

SENATE BILL NO. 216

AS ENACTED

---

FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2016

---

RECEIVED AND FILED  
DATE April 13, 2016  
4:28pm

ALISON LUNDERGAN GRIMES  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BY R. Adler

1 AN ACT relating to marriage licenses.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 402.100 is amended to read as follows:

4 Each county clerk shall **make available to the public the form**~~[use the form]~~ prescribed  
 5 by the Department for Libraries and Archives **for the issuance of**~~[when issuing]~~ a  
 6 marriage license. **The department shall issue a marriage license form which provides**  
 7 **for the entering of information identifying each party as a "bride," "groom," or**  
 8 **"spouse."** This form shall provide for the entering of all of the information required in  
 9 this section, and may also provide for the entering of additional information prescribed by  
 10 the Department for Libraries and Archives. The form shall consist of:

11 (1) A marriage license which provides for the entering of:

12 (a) An authorization statement~~[of the county clerk issuing the license]~~ for any  
 13 person or religious society authorized to perform marriage ceremonies to unite  
 14 in marriage the **parties**~~[persons]~~ named;

15 (b) Vital information for each party, including the full name, date of birth, place  
 16 of birth, race, **gender**, condition (single, widowed, or divorced), number of  
 17 previous marriages, occupation, current residence, relationship to the other  
 18 party, and full names of parents;~~[and]~~

19 (c) **A statement signed by both parties swearing that, to the best of their**  
 20 **knowledge, the information provided on the form is correct; and**

21 **(d)** The date and place the **application was made**~~[license is issued, and the~~  
 22 ~~signature of the county clerk or deputy clerk issuing the license].~~

23 (2) A marriage certificate which provides for the entering of:

24 (a) A statement by the person performing the marriage ceremony or the clerk of  
 25 the religious society authorized to solemnize the marriage ceremony that the  
 26 ceremony was performed. The statement shall include the name and title of  
 27 the person performing the ceremony or the name of the religious society

- 1 solemnizing the marriage, the names of persons married, the date and place of  
 2 the marriage, and the names of two (2) witnesses;
- 3 (b) A statement by the person performing the marriage ceremony of his legal  
 4 qualification under this chapter to perform the ceremony, such statement to  
 5 include the name of the county or city where his license to perform marriage  
 6 ceremonies was issued or, in the case of religious societies authorized by KRS  
 7 402.050(c) to solemnize marriages, the name of the city or county where the  
 8 religious society is incorporated. The provisions of this paragraph shall not be  
 9 construed to require the clerk of a religious society to be present at the  
 10 marriage so long as the witnesses of the society are present;
- 11 (c) The printed name and~~[A]~~ dated signature of the person performing the  
 12 ceremony; and
- 13 (d) A signed statement indicating~~[by the county clerk or a deputy county clerk of~~  
 14 ~~the county in which the marriage license was issued]~~ that the marriage  
 15 certificate was recorded in the county in which it was filed. The statement  
 16 shall also include the title of the county clerk or deputy clerk of the county  
 17 in which the certificate was filed and indicate~~[ the name of the county and]~~  
 18 the date the marriage certificate was recorded.
- 19 (3) A certificate to be delivered by the person performing the marriage ceremony or the  
 20 clerk of the religious society performing the marriage ceremony to the parties  
 21 married. This certificate shall provide for the entering of:
- 22 (a) A statement by the person performing the marriage ceremony or the clerk of  
 23 the religious society performing the marriage ceremony that the ceremony was  
 24 performed. The statement shall include the name and title of the person  
 25 performing the ceremony, or the name of the religious society performing the  
 26 ceremony, the names of persons married, the date and place of the marriage,  
 27 and the names of two (2) witnesses~~[, and the following information as~~

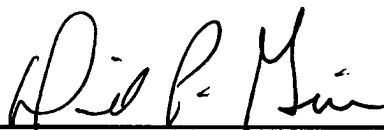
1           ~~recorded on the license authorizing the marriage: the date the license was~~  
 2           ~~issued, the name of the county clerk under whose authority the license was~~  
 3           ~~issued, and the county in which the license was issued]; and~~

4           (b) A dated signature of the person performing the ceremony or the clerk of the  
 5           religious society performing the ceremony.

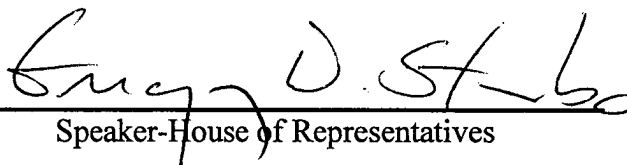
6           (4) A Social Security **card or other government-issued identification card**~~[number]~~  
 7           shall be requested as a means of identification of each party but **the number** shall  
 8           not be recorded **or retained**~~[on the marriage license or certificate. Other means of~~  
 9           ~~identification may also be requested if a party does not have a Social Security~~  
 10          ~~number. The Social Security number shall be forwarded to the appropriate agency~~  
 11          ~~within the Cabinet for Health and Family Services that is responsible for enforcing~~  
 12          ~~child support, and the number shall be stored by that agency with a nonidentifying~~  
 13          ~~numeric. The Social Security number shall not be available for public release].~~

14          ➔Section 2. KRS 402.110 is amended to read as follows:

15          **Except as provided in subsection (1) of Section 1 of this Act,** the form of marriage  
 16          license prescribed in KRS 402.100 shall be uniform throughout this state, and every  
 17          license blank shall contain the identical words and figures provided in the form  
 18          prescribed by~~[that]~~ Section **1 of this Act.** In issuing the license the clerk shall deliver it in  
 19          its entirety to the licensee. The clerk shall see to it that every blank space required to be  
 20          filled by the applicants is so filled before delivering it to the licensee.



\_\_\_\_\_  
President of Senate



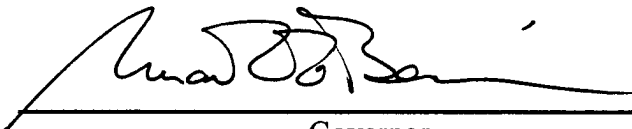
\_\_\_\_\_  
Speaker-House of Representatives

Attest:



\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Clerk of Senate

Approved



\_\_\_\_\_  
Governor

Date

13 APRIL 2016